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Honorable Paul A. Engelmayer
Daniel Patrick Moynihan
United States Courthouse
500 Pearl Street
New York, NY 10007-1312

**Re : Themis Capital, LLC & Des Moines Investments Ltd. v. the Democratic Republic of Congo & the
Central Bank of the Democratic Republic of Congo, No. 09 Civ. 1652 (PAE)**

Dear Judge Engelmayer:

We represent defendants the Democratic Republic of Congo and the Central Bank of the Democratic Republic of Congo (together referred as "Defendants") in above-captioned action. We are writing further to this Court's Order of December 19, 2012.

On December 12, 2012, this firm ("EMW") submitted a motion to withdraw as counsel to Defendants.

Following such motion and ensuing telephonic conference held by the Court on December 17, 2012, the Court ruled that EMW's motion to withdraw be stayed to allow Defendants sufficient time to retain substitute counsel.

On January 25, 2013, attorneys for the law firm of DLA Piper filed motion for appearance on behalf of Defendants.

Accordingly, we respectfully request that EMW's motion to withdraw as counsel to Defendants be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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